

A worksession of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on Monday, December 1, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Platte and Councilpersons Burke, Brown and McGee. Councilman Harri was absent and excused.

Administrative Staff Present was City Manager Jon Stoppels, City Assessor Mike Baker, Quality of Life Director Troy Stowell, Fire Chief Roger McNutt, Utility Director Scott Poyer, City Treasurer Marrie Jo Carr and Library Director Sandy Porter.

Purpose of the meeting was a worksession. Notice of the meeting was duly given.

Public Comments:

None.

Department Head Reports:

Quality of Life Director Stowell stated that he would be sending out an email asking for volunteers for the Deck the House event that will be judged on Friday, December 19th.

Utility Director Poyer stated that an employee was having surgery today.

Fire Chief McNutt informed Council that the Fire Department Christmas Party is coming up and Council is invited to attend and will be held at the Public Safety Facility.

New Business Topics of Discussion were:

Linda Gillentine, 603 Cumberland Drive, appeared before Council regarding the Business and Professional Women's Scrap for Scholarships event and that they were looking to hold the event on April 25th and 26th at the DPW site. This item will appear on the April 8th Agenda.

Old Business Topics of Discussion were:

Utility Director Poyer reviewed with Council the MDOT Local Agency Agreement for Island Park renovation. Utility Director Poyer stated that the Agreement had been signed in July, and that this was just keeping Council updated on the progress.

Mayor and Council reviewed Chapters 1 & 2 of the City Ordinances. Mayor and Council had no questions or concerns regarding Chapter 1.

Mayor and Council had questions and concerns regarding Chapter 2 regarding the Council Wards/Precincts and Redistricting. Mayor and Council also had questions regarding the Annual Reporting from the Planning Commission. City Manager Stoppels stated that he will look into the concerns and report back to Council.

Public Comments:

Mike Mills, 518 S. Main Street, appeared before Council regarding the park purchase at Northwestern School.

Council Comments for the Good of the Order:

Councilwoman Brown reported on the following: that the new restaurant is getting good reviews.

Mayor Platte reported on the following: that the taco truck is gone for the season, but will be back on Saturday for the Christmas Parade.

Councilman McGee reported on the following: wondered what type of incentives Council is setting forth for new businesses.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Steven G. Platte, Mayor

Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk